

Remarks

Claims 1, 4-32 and 40-42, inclusive, are under consideration. Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of the rejections for the reasons stated below. Claim 1 has been amended. Claims 43-46 are canceled without prejudice.

The Applicant has amended claim 1 in order to clearly distinguish Yuen from the Applicant's invention. In Yuen, the VCR is linked to a directory controller through a link between modules 21 of the VCR and module 31 of the directory controller. Therefore, Yuen cannot disclose that the control module is operable to control a video media storage device with a video output terminal. In Yuen, the video media storage device and the control module are connected together with a video output terminal and also on figure 3 with a video input terminal.

When combining the teachings of Yuen and Takahashi, one does not obtain the control system recited in Applicant's claim 1. Indeed, in none of the documents is a control module disclosed which receives the output video terminal and makes a comparison between this video output terminal and a content-related value.

Yuen only discloses the creation of a directory based mainly on the VBI signals and the data are then sent to a directory module. Yuen does not disclose that the directory module is able to make any comparison, because in Yuen said directory module does not receive the video signal.

Accordingly, Applicant respectfully requests withdrawal of the outstanding rejections for the reasons stated above. Applicant further respectfully submits that pending claims 1, 4-

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32 and 40-42, all the claims now pending in the application, are now in condition for allowance and favorable action is requested.

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